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THE FARMER AND HIS CAT

Midnight finds the Farmer and Maria, his Cat, lost in sweet slumber. The feline dreams that she is a vaudeville magician and visualizes a wonderful dream. Out on the back fence a cat visitor calls, "Maria, Maria", and the plaintive strains come in through the window awakening Maria. After assuring herself that the Farmer is asleep, Maria joins the caller upon the fence. Ture to form they soon start a fight. Their meows awaken the Farmer who throws shoes and brickbats at the noise makers. Finding his markmanship faulty, the Farmer sneaks down stairs. Stealing out of the door, he creeps up behind his cat, grabs her by the tail and takes her into the house. He then fastens a ball and chain to her foot. Then, feeling assured that his prisoner is secure, he again retires. Getting an idea, Maria goes to sleep and "saws wood". Then she takes the saw out of her dream vision and cuts away the fetters. It is not long before she has joined her companion on the fence and the howling starts anew. The Farmer wakes up, jumps about, and raves to no avail. Early the next morning the Farmer sets a box trap for Maria Cat, who walks into it and is caught. Just as the Farmer believes he has a prisoner, Maria escapes into the house with her master in pursuit. Finally the Farmer catches the mischievious cat and takes her off to the gas house to put an end to her pranks. The town dog catcher is sending canines and felines down a shoot into the gas tank. So, the Farmer gives him the offending Cat, and Maria soon joins the other victims. The Farmer rubs his hands with glee and returns home to enjoy a little peace and quiet. But, no sooner has the Farmer arrived home, when the Cat comes out of the gas jet. With fuzzy enlarged tail and enraged temper the feline puts up a fight. The Farmer subdues his pet and grabbing her by the nape of the neck goes off to a powder house. Here he ties the villainess and ignites a fuse. Running to safety the Farmer believes himself free of the pest. But after the house blows up, kittens rain down from the debris. in the air. And soon the cat and her big family pursue the poor Farmer down the road. His troubles have multiplied and the Cat still has more lives.

Moral: The surest way to get rid of a cat is to move.

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